



## MEDIA ADVISORY

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**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICIALS FROM ACROSS FLORIDA  
EARN CERTIFICATIONS IN VOLUNTEER MANAGEMENT AS PART OF THE  
GOVERNOR'S HURRICANE CONFERENCE**

*Seventeen conference attendees receive a Florida Volunteer Administration Certification ...*

**WHO:**

- Emergency Management professionals from across Florida
- The Governor's Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service (Volunteer Florida)
- Volunteer Jacksonville
- Volunteer Leon
- Volunteer Manatee
- Volunteer and Community Resource Center of Martin County

**WHAT:** The Florida Volunteer Administration Certification graduation

**WHEN:** Wednesday, May 10, 2006, 10:30 a.m. Eastern Time

**WHERE:** The Greater Fort Lauderdale/Broward County Convention Center, Rm. 207  
1950 Eisenhower Blvd. Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316

**WHY:** With Florida's current spate of active hurricane seasons, it is more critical than ever for Emergency Management officials to have a background in managing both trained and spontaneous volunteers.

The Florida Volunteer Administration Certification Program provides skill in volunteer management. The certification is a partnership among the Florida Association of Volunteer Centers (FAVC), Volunteer Florida, and The Points of Light Foundation. The program is designed to build the capacity of local volunteer administrators and emergency managers across Florida by providing accessible, affordable, high-quality training in the best practices of volunteer management.

Certification topics include planning volunteer programs; recruiting and placing volunteers; training volunteers; supervising volunteers; and evaluating volunteer programs.

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